

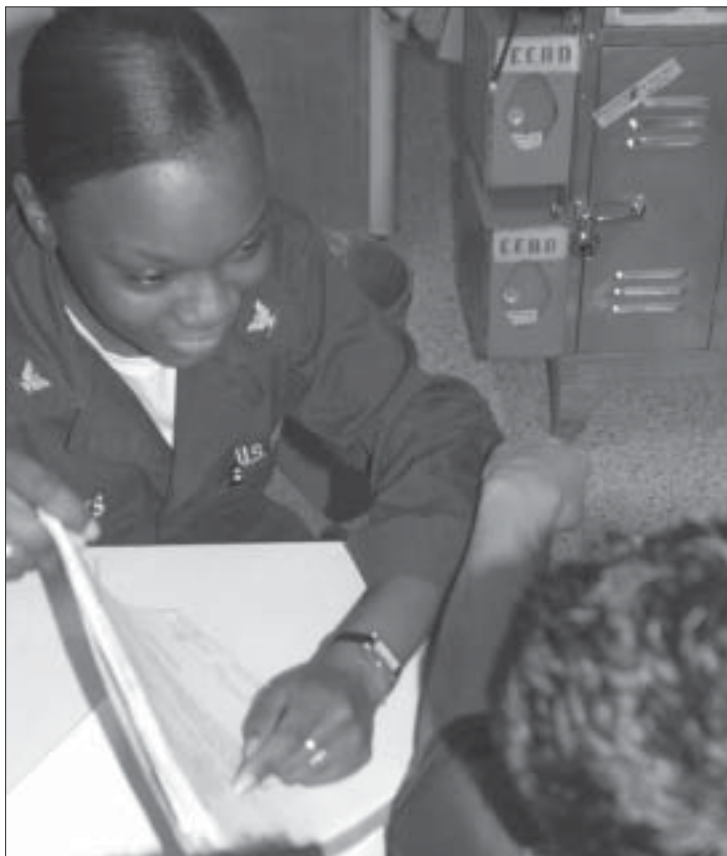


Carl Vinson / CVW-9 Sailor of the Day

HM3 Devan Ebanks



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Ebanks explains medical information during a routine blood pressure and temperature examination.

Today's Sailor of the Day is HM3 Devan Ebanks. She is a general duty corpsman for the "Gold Eagle" Medical Department. Ebanks has been in the Navy for almost four years and has spent only the last three of those months aboard Carl Vinson. During her short time aboard, she has proven herself as a good candidate for Sailor of the Day bragging rights.

"HM3 Ebanks is a 'go-getter' with a tough attitude," said Lt. Cmdr. Daniel Hohman, Carl Vinson's senior medical officer. "She does not let anyone impede upon her getting her job done."

In her office, Ebanks is tasked with administering treatments during sick calls, working in the treatment room, making all appointments for the ship's physician's assistant and prepping all medical records for quality assurance procedures.

Her favorite part of her job happens after the work is done.

"It's always great to see someone around the ship who I know was sick a few days before," she said. "Making people feel better is my favorite part of the job."

A Los Angeles native, Ebanks believes that the best way for someone to motivate themselves through their hard times is by reminding themselves that things aren't always tough.

"I keep myself motivated by saying this is temporary," she said. "You have to remind yourself that you have a job to do. Eventually you will reach your goals and achieve whatever you aspire to do."



Ebanks listens to a patient's lungs during a respiratory exam in Medical's treatment room.



Ebanks treats a dehydrated patient with an I.V. This part of the job is why she chose her job. "Making people feel better is my favorite part," she said.

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